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1.	Type the rough draft (an unformatted document or pre-designed template from Publishing) a. Refine the draft by incorporating the stakeholders' suggestions. b. Repeat step 1a as often as needed.
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